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WATER SLUGS.

Uncanny Things that Come Through the City Mains and Taps.

This morning a slug nearly two inches long by an inch wide was sent to Professor Koehle for identification. It came through a water pipe. The specimen is a mole brown with a white streak beneath the body. Its general make-up suggests the leech, but it is much larger and wider. It is provided with a small mouth and suckers.

Professor Koehle says that several slugs have been sent to him lately, and it appears that they are becoming quite numerous in the valley reservoirs. They are harmless little creatures in the ordinary sense, but would be apt to make one feel very uncomfortable to see one in a glass of water.

NAVAL PROMOTION.

Promotion in the British navy is entirely by selection, and twice a year the list is carefully scanned by the service to ascertain who were the lucky ones. Last July five officers were advanced to the rank of captain, 17 to commanders and 24 to lieutenants. One of the new commanders is 40 and another only 33 years of age. In the United States navy promotion is made by seniority, by which many excellent officers remain stationary in one grade for many years. The youngest officers in the several grades in the line division in the United States navy are: Rear-admiral, 60; commodore, 57; captain, 50; commander, 48; lieutenant-commander, 46; lieutenant, 35. In the latter grade the ages of the first 150 range from 40 to 48 years.

DARE STILL ELOQUENT.

GREENVILLE, Sept. 29.—John T. Dare of San Francisco, at one time attorney general of the Hawaiian islands, addressed a large and enthusiastic gathering of Republicans of this valley at Taylorsville last night on the political issues of the day. A large delegation from this place, accompanied by the Greenville band, and also a delegation from Crescent Mills were in attendance. The address lasted about two hours and was frequently applauded. The meeting closed with cheers for the speaker and McKinley.

U. S. PENSIONS.

The pension list of the United States is still wonderfully large. The number of names on the list amounts to nearly a million. The actual number of the recipients of the nation's bounty was for the year ending June 30, 1896, 970,678, and this multitude receive in the aggregate \$138,214,761.

Photograph Gallery

T. P. Severin has taken the photograph gallery opposite Love's bakery on Nuuanu avenue, where he will enter immediately into the work of taking pictures. Mr. Severin has had years of experience at this branch and has always met with success in it.

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AN HISTORICAL CANVAS

LE BRETON'S CONCEPTION OF BATTLE OF NUUANU.

Large Painting Now on Exhibition—Army of Kamehameha—Alexander's History Gave the Theme.

In the window of the Pacific Hardware Company was displayed this morning the large historical painting by Le Breton of the battle of Nuuanu, the downfall of Kaiana and the conquest of Oahu, the last of the eight islands to that time not under the rule of Kamehameha. The painting is very large and shows the whole battle ground. Of the painting Mr. Le Breton wrote at the time it was executed, as follows:

"Alexander, in his history of Hawaii, says: 'Kamehameha at this time was sixty-two years of age. Kamehameha saw that the time had now come to conquer the leeward islands. He ordered a levy of all the fighting men and war canoes of Hawaii. He had sixteen foreigners in his service, of whom, Young, Davis and one Peter Anderson had charge of his canoes. Of late years there had been a growing jealousy and suspicion between the four old Kona chiefs and the turbulent Kaiana. As he was not invited to a council of war held at Kannaakakai he concluded that his ruin or death had been determined upon. Accordingly, during the voyage to Oahu he and his brother, Nahiola, separated from the main fleet with their followers and landed at Koolau, whence they crossed to Nuuanu and joined Kalanikapu. Kamehameha marched up Nuuanu where Kalanikapu had posted his forces. The Oahu troops made a brave resistance until Kaiana was killed by a cannon ball, when they gave way. They were closely pursued up the valley, some escaping up the ridges on either side, while others were hemmed in and driven over Nuuanu Pass. Kalanikapu for several months wandered in the Koolau mountains, until he was captured above Waipio, brought down and offered in sacrifice to the conquerors war god at Moanalua. April 1795.'

"This is the subject I worked on." With it too he has left a description of the picture, which indicates clearly the principal figures in it and the relative positions of the various forces. This is in the artist's own handwriting and is as follows:

"THE DEATH OF KAIANA IN NUUANU 1795.

In the center stands Kamehameha and the Kona chiefs, Kaiana the high chief lies on the rank grasses, his head resting upon his wife's breast, who has followed him in battle. At her side kneels Kamehameha's queen, Kahumahu, who defends Kaiana against the charges of desertion and treachery.

"The dead belong to Kalanikapu's army. The wounded white man is one of the sixteen foreigners in Kamehameha's services.

"John Young, cutlass in hand, stands in the center of the group, urging his fellows to renewed action and victory, while Kamehameha's native troops arriving, some crossing a mountain running stream in the attempt to capture the Oahu king and chiefs as they stand rallying their fleeing forces.

LE BRETON."

Le Breton is a French artist and writer, who has been on a visit to the Islands during the present summer. He was stopping with Mr. F. Holmes at Lahaina when the work was done. In a private letter to a friend here he apologizes for the obia trees in the background, which, he says, are necessary, however, to clearly set off the distances. Crowds of natives have viewed the picture during the day.

JAPANESE NAVY.

At the Nagasaki dockyard Japan has three vessels in course of construction of 1800, 2000 and 7000 tons, most of the material of which is sent out from England. A second dock 371 feet in length will be opened shortly. During 1895 there were 171 vessels-of-war and 198 merchant vessels docked at Nagasaki, which indicates very lively times along the water front and in the dockyard.

Take This Show In

The ten cent dimities and printed lawns, the calicoes at 30, 20 and 10 yards for \$1.00; the ginghams at 20 and 16 yards for \$1.00; the brown and white cottons at 20 yards for \$1.00; the at L. E. Kerr's only.

A NOTED NATIVE GONE

HEART DISEASE CAUSES THE DEATH OF DAVID W. PUA.

A Prominent Man Among His People—Once a Member of the House of Nobles—Estate and Family.

David W. Pua died suddenly during last night at his residence in Palama of heart disease. He retired feeling well and in good spirits. Shortly after midnight it was discovered that he was dead.

Mr. Pua was born on the island of Nihaun sixty years ago, though he has lived about a half of that time in Honolulu. When in his prime he was a noted swimmer. He was one of the few who could cross the channel from Nihaun to Kaimuki. He is said to have accomplished this feat several times.

Mr. Pua was a fisherman until a few years ago, when he branched out more into real estate. He amassed considerable property on this island, on Mokolai and on Kaula. All his life he has borne the reputation of being a very hard worker and a good business manager.

In 1887 he, for the first time, entered politics and in 1890 was elected a member of the house of Nobles for two terms. He retired with the Legislature of 1892 at the overthrow of the Monarchy in January 1893. Since then he has lived a quiet life, attending strictly to his private affairs.

Mr. Pua was a member of the Aloha Aina and other native societies. His funeral will be conducted under those auspices from the residence at 3:30 this afternoon. Ed A. Williams will have charge. Mr. Pua leaves several children and grandchildren. His father also survives him.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

The American League will hold its regular weekly meeting at 8 o'clock this evening. A number of new members will be initiated. In honor of the occasion there will be a sort of celebration. Refreshments will be served. A large turnout of members is expected.

MILITARY BAND.

A Plan to Perfect the Composition of the First Regiment.

Several gentlemen who are interested in the welfare of the First Regiment, N. G. H., to the point of enthusiasm have decided that the eight companies shall have a strictly military band. The Legislature refused to attach the Government band to the Army. Professor Berger and his players are reserved for concerts, with military duty as a concession or extra. It is now proposed to have a regulation army musical corps, well drilled, rendering marches perfectly and constantly at the service of the command. At first it was talked that such an organization might be made by the selection of amateur musicians from the various commands. This idea will probably be followed to a certain extent, but no expense will be spared to secure a band that will be a credit to the Regiment. The leader will be imported. There has been correspondence already with men at the Coast and in the East. A young and capable man at this time the leader of a military band in New Jersey has made a proposition that may be accepted. He will come upon a guarantee of three years and he furnishes references that insure satisfaction on his part. His entire time will be devoted to his military duties. The Government will be asked to assist a trifle in this matter, but most of the expense will be borne by private subscription.

AN ELECTRIC STEVEDORE.

The latest invention in labor-saving machinery is the electric stevedore. This is a movable conveyor for loading a ship with flour or grain from an ordinary wharf. Its length is forty feet two wheels in the center allowing it to be moved at will. The actuating power is electricity. The revolving belt, on which the sacks are placed, is of rubber, and passes over twelve rollers. It revolves at such a speed as to carry all the weight in flour or grain that can be placed upon it. This apparatus recently loaded a steamer with 3,000 tons of flour at the rate of seventy-five tons per hour.

STRAW HATS.

A special line of straw hats for both ladies and gents is displayed at Iwakami's, on Hotel street. The prices range anywhere from 25c to \$5.00.

IN THE HIGHER COURTS

A NICE LITTLE STORY FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

The Warlike Natives Had Never Seen a Chinaman—Spared a Captive—Was Perhaps a Kahuna.

John Chinaman, writes the South African correspondent of a London paper, has penetrated even to the heart of Matabeleland. At least there is one adventurous Chinese who reached there, and who now owes his life to this pig-tail and the quaint, personal peculiarities of his race. He was on his way to a certain mining district to act as cook, etc., to some prospectors when the present disturbance began. Poor "Pigtail" found that to continue his journey or to return would be equally risky, but he decided on the latter plan. He had passed the remains of many murdered whites lying along the road, when he was overtaken by some ten or twelve Matabele bloods on murder bent, and armed in various ways. On reaching him and finding that he was not a "Meoongar," or white man, they consulted among themselves, and finally, after chafing around the Celestial one, in a hesitating manner they drew nearer, and, with respectful awe, touched him, to make sure that he was in reality flesh and blood. He was certainly neither a Cape half-breed Hottentot, nor anything else they had ever seen; so, after an exchange of compliments, carried on in best Matabele and Chinese respectively, they withdrew, probably thinking he was a powerful English "witch-doctor," who might have annihilated them by some mystic process. Poor frightened "Pigtail" was overtaken by a small armed party of fugitives, who, with the assistance of an Indian coolie, hailing from Natal, where our hero had also sojourned, extracted from his quaking lips the particulars of his escape. They had themselves been attacked by the same band of Matabele. However, a triumphal entry into Bulawayo was finally accomplished.

From the District Court—Matter of More Wharf Space—Report Filed—Jury Waived—In Chambers.

In the matter of Jonathan Spooner vs. Julia S. Rice and Wm. B. Rice, defendants have filed an answer denying all of the allegations in the complaint set forth and giving notice of their intention to rely upon illegality, release and payment as their defense. Jury is waived in the cause, the same to be heard in vacation after the return of Attorney W. A. Kinney from the Coast, which will be in December.

The case of C. B. Maile, et al. vs. Chin Wo Co., et al., has been, by stipulation, continued for the term. This cause will also be heard in vacation after the return of Mr. Kinney.

In the ejectment case of Henry Smith vs. the Hutchinson Plantation Company, a general denial has been filed and the cause is set for hearing in vacation after the November term.

The following appeals from the District Magistrate of Honolulu to the November term have been perfected: Lee Hong vs. Alex. Kahoalii, damages, judgment for plaintiff for \$10; Republic vs. W. R. Johnson, drunk, fined \$3; Republic vs. Ah Son, che fa tickets in possession, three months; Republic vs. Ah Chong, maintaining a lottery, three months; Republic vs. Ah Hay, cruelty to animals, five days; Republic vs. Chang You, che fa tickets, \$50 fine; Republic vs. G. W. Clark, violating act 26, one month; Republic vs. J. S. Houghtailing, liquor, \$300 fine; Republic vs. Yosida and Kurutawa, maintaining lottery, two months each; Republic vs. Maka (w), vulgar language, fined \$40.

In the matter of J. A. King, minister of Interior vs. Charles B. Bishop, et al., action for the condemnation of land below the old fishmarket for wharf purposes, defendants Sarah J. Emmes, Margaret Ann Robertson and Eliza Emily Cassidy, have filed an answer, to plaintiffs' declaration, offering to accept \$3000.

POLICE COURT.

Continuances and Trials from the District Court Docket.

The Detective Wagner's assault case has been further continued in Police Court to the 17th.

The case of Hoshima, the Nuuanu street jeweler, who is charged with smuggling watches, has gone over to next Saturday.

Ah Fat was given one month on the reef by Judge De la Vergne this morning for having opium unlawfully in possession.

Ah Heong was given three months on the reef for vagrancy.

Arrests today were a native for the larceny of a coat, three for investigation and two Chinese for having che fa tickets in possession.

The Houghtailing case will come up in the District Court tomorrow.

EARTHQUAKE INDICATOR.

Important Invention of a Honolulu Rising Young Scientist.

Charles Ramsay, who is a bit of a genius, as well as an Edwin Booth or two, has invented an earthquake indicator. It is a pendulum arrangement which moves on a smoked glass. When shaken by a force seismic (or animal) the needle moves over the smoked surface and describes a line which corresponds in length to the violence of the shock. By a careful geometric calculation the per cent of violence is reached. The invention will be patented at Washington, London and Launapohoe.

MISSIONARY WEDDING.

(Japan Gazette.) A numerously attended marriage ceremony took place today at 12 o'clock at the Yokohama Union church. Rev. Henry Loomis officiated assisted by Rev. Jas. H. Ballagh, both of Yokohama. The groom was Dr. Jas. Hunter Wells, formerly of Portland, Oregon, U. S. A., a missionary physician of the Presbyterian Board of Mission at Gensan, Corea. The bride was Miss Sarah Lulu Ribble, of the United States, recently arrived by the steamship Rio Janeiro. Mr. Johnson, of Los Angeles, California, now a guest at the Grand Hotel, gave away the bride. Mr. Isabella Bird Bishop was among the guests.

FUNERAL OF MISS LYLE.

The funeral of the late Miss Deborah N. Lyle took place from the family residence, Spencer street, Monday afternoon. A large number of friends were in attendance. Rev. D. P. Birnie conducted the services. The choir of Central Union church was present and sang several hymns. Many beautiful floral remembrances were sent in. The remains were interred in Makiki cemetery.

BLASTING.

Heavy blasting is being done on the site of the new Iryia block, Nuuanu street. This forenoon a gentleman who is a trifle near sighted, happened to pass. He did not see the danger flag and was directly in front when two tremendous charges went off. Fortunately he escaped being hit in the shower of missiles hurled in every direction.

FURTHER DELAY.

Rebellion on the Sugar Ship Troop Holds Her Here Yet.

The ship Troop will not likely get away until Thursday. It has been decided that the second mate, who is the means of all the trouble, must stay aboard of her. He is, by the way, the man who was the center of the rumpus on the Iryia Brewer a year or two ago. Capt. Fritz has done everything in his power to preserve order on his vessel. The present trouble will cost him nearly \$200. He has conceded at every point in the interest of peace and the reputation of the ship, but has had a hard crowd to deal with.

Early this morning Capt. Harry Evans and Capt. Bob Andrews took out the four new men who have shipped on the Troop and also the twelve natives who were engaged Monday to bend the sails. The rebellious crew are still in irons and will not be released until the vessel is clear of the islands.

UNION MEETING.

There will be a Union meeting of the Y. M. C. A. at 6:30 Sunday evening of the Association, the Y. P. S. C. E. of Central Union church, Epworth League of the M. E. church and Young People's Society of the Christian church. A part of the program will be five-minute talks by the presidents of all the societies named. The meeting will last about forty-five minutes.

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